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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

AIR FREIGHT UP 0.8% IN MARCH

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 2, 1991--Air freight increased 0.8 percent in March, compared with March a year ago, and was down 2.2 percent in the first three months of this year, the Air Transport Association reported today.

Domestic air freight in March decreased 8.2 percent. Mail was down 13.4 percent, and total domestic cargo, including freight and mail, decreased 9.3 percent.

International air freight in March was up 9.9 percent. Mail was down 0.2 percent, and total cargo increased 9.0 percent.

In the first three months of the year, domestic air freight declined 5.9 percent, mail was down 8.2 percent, and total cargo decreased 6.4 percent.

International air freight during the first three months increased 1.6 percent, mail was down 1.2 percent, and total cargo was up 1.4 percent.

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PRELIMINARY CARGO TRAFFIC STATISTICS

U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY (1)

REVENUE TON-MILES

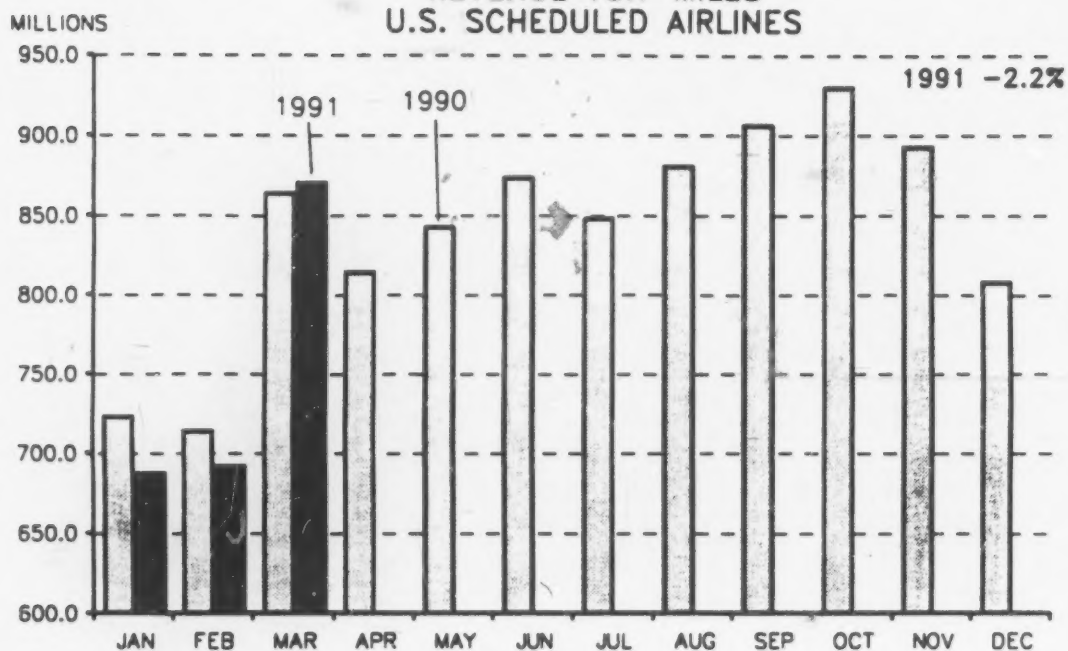
(In Thousands)

		DOMESTIC OPERATIONS			INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS			TOTAL	TOTAL
		FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	CARGO
MARCH	1991	401,364	106,737	508,101	470,840	41,055	511,895	872,204	1,019,996
MARCH	1990	437,119	123,215	560,334	428,474	41,134	469,608	865,593	1,029,942
PERCENT CHANGE		(8.2)	(13.4)	(9.3)	9.9	(0.2)	9.0	0.8	(1.0)
3 MONTHS	1991	1,108,619	319,019	1,427,638	1,146,441	113,493	1,259,934	2,255,060	2,687,572
3 MONTHS	1990	1,178,175	347,349	1,525,524	1,128,017	114,852	1,242,869	2,306,192	2,768,393
PERCENT CHANGE		(5.9)	(8.2)	(6.4)	1.6	(1.2)	1.4	(2.2)	(2.9)

Carriers included : Alaska, Aloha, America West, American, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Federal Express, Hawaiian, Midway, Northwest, Pan American, Southwest, Trans World, United, and USAir.

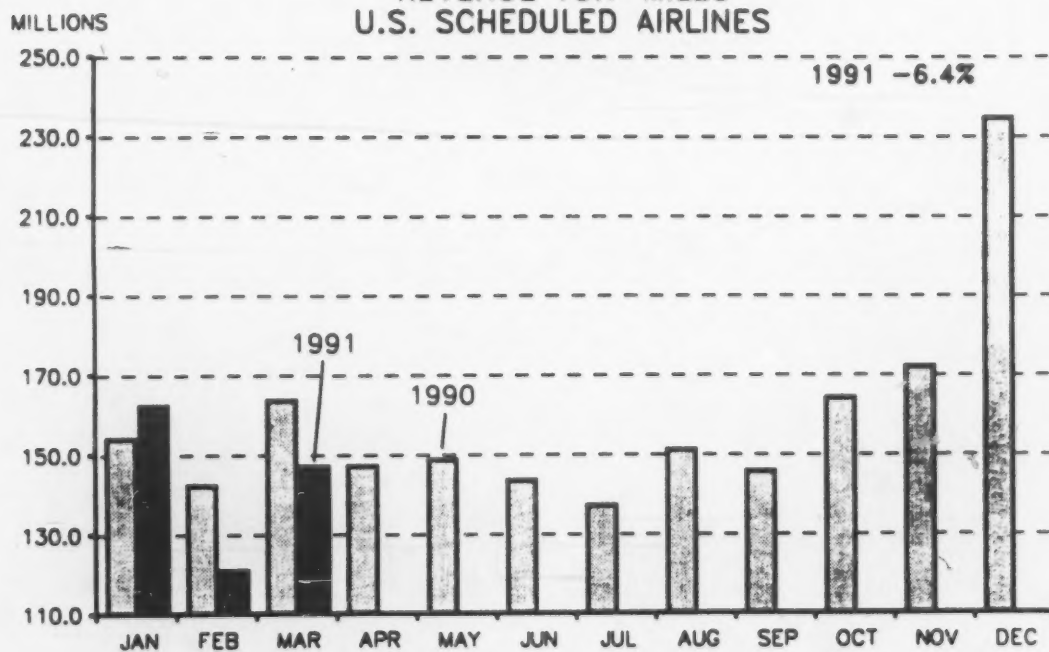
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**PRELIMINARY CARGO TRAFFIC STATISTICS
SYSTEM OPERATIONS**

**REVENUE TON-MILES
(In Thousands)**

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>FREIGHT</u>	<u>MAIL</u>	<u>TOTAL CARGO</u>
<u>1990</u>			
January	724,964	154,838	879,802
February	715,635	143,014	858,649
March	865,593	164,349	1,029,942
April	821,174	151,878	973,052
May	851,018	153,762	1,004,780
June	881,150	148,406	1,029,556
July	856,236	142,192	998,428
August	891,049	157,032	1,048,081
September	916,479	151,176	1,067,655
October	938,812	168,581	1,107,393
November	902,468	176,280	1,078,748
December	815,070	239,796	1,054,866
TOTAL 1990	10,179,648	1,951,304	12,130,952
Jan - Mar 1990	2,306,192	462,201	2,768,393
<u>1991</u>			
January	689,207	163,012	852,219
February	693,649	121,708	815,357
March	872,204	147,792	1,019,996
TOTAL 1991	2,255,060	432,512	2,687,572

PERCENT CHANGE

	<u>FREIGHT</u>	<u>MAIL</u>	<u>TOTAL CARGO</u>
1991/1990			
March	0.8	-10.1	-1.0
Jan - March	-2.2	-6.4	-2.9